

# HARTLEY WINTNEY

JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

2022 - 2023

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# TROPHY EVENING 2023

FRIDAY JUNE 23RD

Welcome to Hartley Wintney Junior Football Club's Trophy Evening, 2023.

A celebration of season 2022-23.

17:00 Doors Open

18:00 Welcome and Introduction

**Team Presentations - Youth Team, U6s to U11s** 

**Auction** 

**Team presentations U12s to U16s** 

Raffle

**Close** (c.20:30, the bar is open till 23:00)



# WELCOME TO HARTLEY WINTNEY JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB'S TROPHY PRESENTATION EVENING, 2023.

This is our annual celebration of every team and players' achievements, teamwork and development. I am delighted to welcome you to this special club and hope you enjoy the celebration and your well-deserved recognition.

This evening is also an opportunity for the club to show its appreciation to those who go above and beyond the call of duty. Whether you are a player, supporter, coach, playmaker or volunteer, I would like to sincerely thank you for your hard work during the season.

I would also like to thank our many sponsors for their continued generosity and to everyone who has been kind enough to donate raffle and auction items. Your continued investment massively supports everything we provide, and it is greatly appreciated by over 400 children that play football for Hartley Wintney JFC each week.

I also owe a huge debt of gratitude to each member of the Club Committee without whose time and dedication, all voluntary, we would not have such a wonderful club or be able to provide a safe, fun and professional environment. We are keen to have more people involved and to work with sponsors and partners to help build pathways for children into areas such as work experience and part-time jobs. I believe that this will make our community even stronger and build upon the solid foundations we have in place.

If you would like to take part in any capacity, please let me or any member of the club know, we would love to have you on board.

Hartley Wintney Junior Football Club continues to be one of a select handful of clubs in this area that is recognised by the Football Association for achieving the highest and most advanced standards expected in football provision and club development.

Building upon this reputation is critical for our future growth, so I am delighted to confirm we have successfully renewed our England Football Accreditation.

Our new Director of Football, Ian Hobman, led this initiative which also involved putting together a new vision for the club. As our community is at the heart of everything we do, our new vision is

"A community football club that provides a safe and inclusive environment, enabling individuals to learn, develop and grow throughout their time at the club."

This vision articulates our commitment to be at the centre of the community. Our mission is to give children the opportunity to develop a love of football while helping them build the skills they will need for a successful and fulfilling life. Thank you lan for your dedication and input to this success.

# **COMMUNITY IN ACTION: PLAYMAKERS**

A great example of this commitment is a new coaching programme introduced by our training team.

Mark Lewington and Jon Wiggins. The programme enables players over the age of 14 to complete the FA Playmaker course. On completion of the course, the players take their learnings and put them into practice by supporting dedicated, senior coaches with training sessions involving younger age groups.

This has been a fantastic experience for the older players, helping them to develop their confidence, earn their own money and enabling them to learn practical, real-life skills.

Being a Playmaker also looks good on the CV, giving children demonstrable experience they can highlight when applying for college or university places or completing their Duke of Edinburgh Awards.

# **ONE CLUB**

The relationship between the Junior and Senior Clubs continues to thrive and we have had several events during the season including the first Sponsor's event in February where Sponsors and Managers watched the first team play as they enjoyed some complimentary hospitality and the first local derby between Hartley Wintney JFC managers and Hook United FC managers.

Both events were very well attended, with over 500 spectators coming to watch Hook narrowly win the inaugural game 1-2. We'll get the trophy back next year!

Another new initiative was First Team Mascots.

The programme, led by Kieren Mawer, has been extremely successful and gives children the experience of leading the first team out onto the pitch, meeting their local heroes and taking part in a crossbar challenge or penalty shootout at half-time.

Feedback from everyone involved, especially the players, has been superb and this, along with concession pricing

for HWJFC players attending Hartley Wintney FC First Team games, has been instrumental in increasing the number of families coming to matches and staying afterwards to enjoy time in the clubhouse. A big thank you goes to Kieren and everyone involved with the senior club for their support with these initiatives.

It's also fair to say that Mark Suchy's exploits in goal during the penalty shootouts have now become legendary!

# **BUILDING ON OUR FOUNDATIONS**

Hartley Wintney is a fantastic club with a long history, so investing in kit, facilities and pitches so that we can continue this legacy is critical. I would like to thank Nick Elkington & Mark Suchy for their hard work in making sure we have excellent equipment and playing surfaces throughout the year.

And keep an eye out for the new kit being worn by our young girls teams as they move from all orange to orange shirts with black shorts and blacks socks for the coming season.

In addition to the initiatives above, I am delighted we will be hosting our first mixed tournament on the weekend of the 15th of July, continuing to build our relationship with Reading Women FC and providing FA Wildcats and Squad Girls sessions on Sunday mornings. Wildcats & Squad Girls provides non-competitive football for girls who want to give it a go for the very first time or want to play with other girls their own age. Thank you to everyone involved in putting these initiatives together.

There are some unsung heroes that also require a mention because without their support, diligence and sheer determination we wouldn't have a club at all.

Nick Stevens (Treasurer and Bradley Cooper look-a-like),
Sarah Wiggins (Child Welfare Officer and all-round star),

Pete Auchterlonie (Vice-Chair, CWO and Match Day Announcer Extraordinaire) and Toni Lewington (Club Secretary and Two Urns Legend) have all contributed so much to the club this season. I wish to thank you all personally: it's genuinely humbling seeing how much you all do and I am incredibly proud that you are part of this team, I don't know what I would do without you.

# TO FOOTBALL... AND BEYOND

This evening we will rightly laud the accomplishments of every player that has represented Hartley Wintney. It is a wonderful feeling seeing their ability and skill levels increase on the pitch, but it is just as rewarding seeing them make friends, become part of a team and grow as individuals. As a club, we believe our role goes well beyond football. We do not want to just produce better footballers; we are also committed to providing a positive influence that will produce better people.

On the pitch, I am delighted to say we have had several teams win their respective league campaigns,
Cup Finals and tournaments. I would like to congratulate every player, coach, assistant, and volunteer for their achievements this season, no matter how big or small.

Finally, some managers are hanging up their coaching boots this season so I would like to recognise Andy Ewbank, Phil Soliel, Lee Hulls and Pete Auchterlonie for their input, support, enthusiasm and commitment to the club. I think between them, their combined tenure accounts for over 40 years worth of volunteering! Enjoy Saturday morning coaching retirement, we are lucky to have had you as such wonderful servants of the club.

One last thank you goes to everyone involved in organising tonight's event. It is no mean feat putting this celebration together so please make sure you thank your coaches over a refreshment or two.

Enjoy tonight, have a wonderful summer and come back fighting fit for the new season in September.

Up The Row!

# Lee Wales

Chair, Hartley Wintney Junior Football Club





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# U7 EAGLES KIEREN MAWER / STEVE MARTIN

This was the first year of football for the Eagles Under 7's, and it was filled as expected with plenty of football development, an abundance of fun and lots of goals...with only a few tears along the way (mostly from the coaches).

As the season kicked off, the boys picked up a strong understanding of the basics, and lead by Shay Sibley and Alfie Roberts, the Eagles were unbeaten in their first 7 weeks, including a resounding 20-0 win. Whilst winning 20-0 is good for morale, there isn't a lot of football development in those matches, and thankfully after the October Half Term the boys were aligned with some stronger teams in the local area. In many respects, being beaten 7-4 by a very good passing Bourne Blades team was a great experience for the team (and coaches) to see different ways to play the game.

As we moved into a harsh UK winter, the ground got heavier and the style of football changed a little bit with some of the boys (remembering they are 6) finding the cold weather less fun. That said, with Stanley Martin's strong runs down the left, stout defending from Louis Lyons and a number of clean sheets from Lachlan Mawer, the boys stayed in some close games and ground out a number of close fought wins through to Christmas.

After the festive period it was clear that a number of the boys had clearly been well behaved and had Santa deliver some great looking HWJFC training gear and football boots to get the 2023 year started. Annoyingly through January and February, a number of games were cancelled

due to weather; consequently, the matches through that period were a challenge to get into a rhythm. But with Fraser Joy and Blake Morgan's calmness on the ball and Sammy Orme's fearless tackling the boys continued to get some good results, with an excellent win over the previously unbeaten Bourne Blades a great moment.

As the weather has improved and the season began to wind down, the boys definitely had some tough results; but hopefully the boys are picking up that football is about developing skills, building relationships, team work and developing character as they grow and not just about the score at the end of the match.

This season would not be possible without the support of the parents, for that Steve and I thank you all, additionally to our kit sponsor Charlton Grace helping the boys look the part each Saturday.

### **Kieren & Steve**

# **EAGLES UNDER 7 SQUAD**

Alfie Roberts

Blake Morgan

Fraser Joy

Lachlan Mawer

Louis Lyons

Sammy Orme

Shay Sibley

**Stanley Martin** 







# U7 HAWKS OLLIE HARRUP

We've had great fun in our first season and, after a tricky start (on the receiving end of some hefty defeats), our boys have managed to really gel as a team. We're very lucky that all eight boys have scored at least one goal this season. All have had some great individual moments, and everyone has shown improvement.

I want to give a special mention to Ethan and James, who have contributed not only a lot of goals between them this year, but also shown great leadership on and off the pitch at such a young age.

Special thanks to my assistants Paul Frankland and Ben Weight, both of whom I know have enjoyed this experience as much as I have. I hope this is the first of many seasons working together and developing our team.

Thanks as well to all the parents and extended family who come along to support the boys every Saturday. We always have a great turnout; they really have been our sixth man!

Ollie Harrup





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# U7 KITES AARON CAMPBELL

In the realm of amateur football, where passion meets camaraderie, the Under 7 Kites have had a roller coaster inaugural year with both promotion and relegation. Comprising talented individuals — Max, William, Patrick, Brodie, Gilbert, Charlie, Freddie and Jaxson — this team has demonstrated exceptional teamwork and unwavering dedication throughout their journey. Adapting to a new coach, new leagues and a diamond formation midway through the season, the boys quickly understood the requirement.

The boys remained versatile and have shown good potential in their first year. William's dribbling skills have left opponents baffled as he led the team with 57 goals in 21 games, while Jaxson's agility and competitiveness have been vital in shutting down opposing attackers. Patrick's fearlessness and reading of the game have progressed into proven shot stopping with several penalties saved alongside strong defensive displays, while Brodie's desire has been crucial in finding the back of the net. Charlie's unwavering work rate and tenacity in midfield has provided a key pivot, and Gilbert, Max and Freddie's calmness, dedication and desire has enabled their confidence to grow.

One of the most impressive aspects of the Under 7 Kites performance has been the growth in their experience of teamwork. Despite being their first year, they have developed a remarkable understanding on the field of the

teams' strengths, showcasing fluid passing sequences, intuitive movement, and a deep level of trust. The growth in players' ability to anticipate each other's actions has resulted in some wonderful goals and excellent build up play. Their unselfish approach to the game and open ears to advice and tactics has been a key factor in their success in the second half of the season.

The boys have shown a willingness to learn from their experiences, constantly improving their tactical understanding and remaining adaptable to circumstances. Whether it's altering formations or making in-game adjustments, the team has displayed a remarkable ability to think on their feet and make effective changes. This adaptability has allowed them to compete and even overcome different playing styles and standards.

Above all, the Under 7 Kites season can be attributed to their unwavering passion and dedication to the sport. Despite their busy schedules and other commitments, the players have consistently shown up for training sessions and matches, always striving to improve and give their best. Their dedication to the sport has translated into on-field performances, where the players have displayed exceptional energy, enthusiasm, and a never-give-up attitude especially in the closing weeks of the season.

In their first year of football, the Under 7 Kites have learnt a lot. Their blend of individual talent, seamless teamwork, adaptability, and unwavering dedication has been a recipe for personal and team

growth. They have not only won a few matches but also won the hearts of all the parents and supporters.

As they continue their journey in the world of football, it is evident that the players have a bright future ahead with solid foundations laid this year.





# U8 TIGERS LEE WALES / DAN HANSON / JASON CLEGG

This season has seen the Tigers continue in the same theme as the last, showing enthusiasm and determination in everything they do on the pitch and in training, but most importantly having fun, making friends and enjoying their football!

The Tigers welcomed new players at the start of the season, with Emily Brind, Anastasia Jacobs, and Bella Carter joining the ranks. Each of the girls brought something different to the team and they have all fitted in fantastically well.

Training continued on Monday nights with Jason from Destination Sport and Jason's coaching has been invaluable. Lee, Jason & me have all learnt from these sessions and made sure we consistently applied the same lessons on Saturday mornings, giving the girls continuity as part of their development. The team has progressed so much this year and we are all immensely proud of what the girls have achieved.

Last season we worked on set pieces as we could see the benefits in getting the ball back into play quickly, not giving the other team time to settle or giving them easy opportunities to score. That worked really well and this season we've worked on more advanced skills when passing and moving into space to receive the ball back. The team have put together some absolutely Brazilian-like passing moves, which pretty much also end in a goal. One notable goal this season had 7 consecutive passes, starting from a pass out from the goalkeeper!

Along with passing, they've worked hard on their positional awareness, which moving to bigger pitches and 7-a-side games next season will be very important. With all the hard work last year with set pieces and this year's work on passing and positioning, the girls are all very well prepared. They will be playing in more set positions which will help with consistency on a Saturday, and we will also start to teach them more about their specific role on the pitch.

This all helps with their confidence, and it's been very rewarding to see them communicating more effectively and encouraging each other throughout matches and listening well at training. Another aspect of this, is making sure that the words we use during matches make sense for the team. We have worked on this as coaches and now say things like "head up" rather than "pass or shoot" as it allows the player to make their own decisions on the pitch which is critical for their development.

The Tigers have performed extremely well during the 'league' matches and reached the semi-finals of the cup. They also had some great results in the football festivals organised by Hampshire Girls Youth Football League at Winklebury. In fact, both of the Hartley Wintney U8 girls teams reached the final of the last tournament, showing that we have some very talented players at the club.

In addition to thanking the girls for their constant inspiration and effort, we would like to thank Joanne and everyone at Ta-Da! Beauty for the team sponsorship

which has enabled the kids to play football in a smart kit and training tops each week. Thank you to Jason from Destination Sport for your support and great work throughout the season, it's much appreciated.

Last, but not least, we would like to thank the parents/carers, supporters, and our families for their support, it's been another brilliant season. Enjoy the summer break, see you in September!

### **SOUAD**

Millie Coulten – Our Skipper. Millie has had a great season and played at a high level in a variety of positions.

Ava Marshall – The Machine! Ava never stops running, scores lots of goals, a great passer and has an incredible engine.

Genelia Alexander – The Tackler! Genelia's tenacity and passing ability has improved dramatically this season, well done!

Mishka Das – The Tigers number 1 – Mishka always takes responsibility, volunteers to go in goal and makes some amazing saves!

Emily Brind – "The scoop" - I'll shoot from anywhere and score! Emily has been fantastic and scored some incredible goals.

Emily Hanson – The Fox in the Box! Emily's movement and positioning has been excellent, leading to some amazing passages of play and, of course, goals.

Anastasia Jacobs – Midfield maestro. What a season Anastasia has had. Her passing and dribbling have been superb.

Ava 'AC' Clegg – None shall pass! AC reads the game so well and is always looking to receive the ball or make a tackle.

Bella Carter – Another pocket rocket, Bella has a great engine on her and throws herself into every game with enthusiasm and a big smile.











# U8 JAGUARS DARRYL DALTON

This season for the U8 Jaguars has been my first season at Hartley Whitney and also some of my girls' first season playing for a club and what an amazing season it has been.

I would like to start by saying a massive thank you to Lee Wales for giving me the opportunity to transfer over and manage at Hartley Wintney JFC. It's an amazing club with massive ambition and great opportunities for players and managers.

For our first season together the girls have become great friends and a great team winning many of our games and playing some great football as a team, we owe a lot of thanks to Jason for great training sessions.

I would like to thank all the parents for making games and training each week we wouldn't be a team without you bringing your girls along. Massive thank you to my wife Fiona for always helping me get everything sorted plus supporting me with coaching, and thank you to Ben for helping on the side-lines when needed; looking forward to him becoming my assistant manager next season.

All the girls should be massively proud of themselves, Phoebe, Heidi, Edeigh, Darcey, Immy, Esther, Teighan, Grace, Oliva and Ada. It's been a pleasure to coach you all this season and watch you all grow, I look forward to next season.

# **Darryl Dalton**





# **U8 EAGLES**GARETH WILCOX

The Eagles Under 8s, a team of great might, had a season full of ups and downs and unforgettable fights. Eagles soared high, fierce and bold, we've got stories to tell, so let the tale unfold.

Will, a brave soul, took a blast to his chest, assisting a goal, he gave it his best. Scoring the goal of the season, they'll never forget, a left-footed belter, from outside the net. Will, our motivator, hitting a rotten tree, with sticks in his hand, he set the team free.

Declan, a hero, unpassable at times, between the sticks, he showcased his prime. Defending was Declan's noble game, though it came with injuries, causing him pain. He sacrificed his body, never hesitating, a brave warrior, always captivating.

Tyreece, swinging his shirt around his head, celebrating a goal, with style, he led. Tyreece, oh Tyreece, what a legend in the making, hit a clearance off his baby sister's head, breath-taking. Channelling Mbappé, with a Jorginho hop, scored a penalty, wonderful, never a flop.

Barley with great strength, he battled every foe, protecting the goal, like a formidable pro. Goal scorer, the enforcer, with fantastic skills, dribbling out of defence, against all thrills. Power and determination, he carried the ball, protecting our turf, standing big and tall.

Joshua, a star, like Beckham he shone, smashing a goal from his own half, a milestone. With his thunderous free kicks, a collection so grand, each one a powerhouse, striking like a band. Joshua, the master of curls,

top corner his aim, direct from a corner kick, off the post, his fame.

Coben, our leader, with attitude so bright, volunteered to go in goal, when heads lost their light. His presence felt in every attack, a threat to the opponents, no turning back. Playing his role as the fox in the box, sneaky and cunning, with lightning-fast shocks.

Robin, scoring with a goal kick, what a sight, from one end to the other, a moment shining bright. Tireless, our engine, running non-stop, hook him up to the grid and power the block. His signature move, a mazy run so wild, cutting inside onto his right, leaving defenders beguiled.

Jason, solid in defence, wave after wave, came crashing at him, he never caved. A wall he became, with resolve so strong, nothing got past him, they sang his song. He would burst forward and unleash a thunderous strike, to send the crowd roaring, as he took flight.

In the cup, agony struck their core, when Joshua's thunderbolt hit the post, oh what a sore. The dying seconds, hope slipping away, A near-miss, leaving the team in dismay. But the Eagles are a team full of heart, they played their best, right from the start.

Through triumphs and setbacks, they never ceased, their passion for the game, a constant feast.

So here we end our season, with memories to hold, the Eagles under 8s, shining bright and bold. And finally, a big thankyou to our sponsor Houston Cox, from the managers Elliot Scarbrow and Gareth Wilcox.





# U8 KITES VAUGHN CRAXTON / ROSS SAMUEL

The Kites U8 season began with a lot optimism, commitment and excitement about the season ahead. This was the teams second competitive season and, after adding another new player to our squad, the boys were ready to test themselves again.

Before delving into the detail of the season, I must say a huge thank you to our sponsors, London Stone, who supplied the new kit ensuring the boys looked the part all season long.

The season began with a lot of enthusiasm like last year, but this year the boys really started to play some good football. Passing the ball around, trying to find the space, and all members of the squad contributing on matchdays, which was great to see. The main problem was trying to integrate 9 players into a team of 5, every single week! A nice problem to have though.

We were scheduled to play 12 matches up to Christmas. They boys played some really attractive football, and this resulted in them winning the majority of matches up to that point. The highlight being a 6-2 win away at local rivals Camberley who had beaten us a few times previously. Results up to Christmas were 6 wins, 1 draw and 4 losses. The standout statistic being that 8 out of our 9 squad members all managed to get goals, which is a huge improvement from last year. A fantastic contribution from everyone.

As the new year began, we were moved into league 2 and the standard was much higher, evident from the very first game. Unfortunately, 5 of the games in the second half of the season were cancelled due to weather and pitch conditions, which was a real shame. In the second half of the season however the results were still good. We won 4, drew 2 and lost 2 in the league. The boys also had their first taste of cup football. Unfortunately, we did not progress as we lost two games by a single goal and one on penalties. The boys did extremely well, and it was a great learning experience for everyone.

All the boys have contributed over the season and continued to develop tremendously, with everyone growing into different positions. We also played our first of two summer tournaments in May and the boys did themselves proud; winning 3 games, drawing 2 and losing 1 (by a single goal). With one of the boys coming away with a trial for QPR as well! We are very much looking forward to the Hartley Tournament in July.

Final stats for the season were:

Games played -22; Won -10; Lost -9; Drawn -3.

A thoroughly enjoyable and rewarding second term. We are already looking forward to progressing to 7-aside next season. Finally thank you to all the parents who get the boys to training, matches and always bring the cheers and all-important post game snacks; we really couldn't do it without your support.

# **Ross and Vaughn**

# **SQUAD LIST**

Lucas Samuel

Samuel Craxton

Sam Cartwright

Aiden Compton

Lucas Garcia Marti

Arthur Underhill

Louis Evans

Dexter Clarke

Hamza Aktas





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# **U8 FALCONS** STEVE CORFIELD

The season commenced with the U8 Falcons eager to improve on their 1st season together. Resplendent in new kit (when it eventually arrived!) and sponsored by Merronbrook Ltd, the local timber frame and roof truss manufacturer, they took to the pitch for the first game of the season against Curley Park Rangers.

It soon became apparent that last year's tactic of run around, have fun, score some goals etc.
wasn't going to yield the same results with the opposition using things called tactics to great effect which undid us. The following week we employed our own tactics for the first time and set up in the classic "Y" formation.
Following some managerial fretting, the team, to their credit, listened, understood and carried out their positional duties brilliantly and we continued to employ the "Y" all year shunning the idea of flexibility in order to lessen the opportunity for confusion.

The Falcons endured a varied set of results in the run up to Christmas, mixing some heady wins with thumping defeats. It was difficult to pinpoint why we were great one week and less so the next.

Was it second season syndrome? Was it growing pains? Was it that we seemed to get lots of 9:00am games and were finding it difficult to get up and be awake for K.O.? No one knew and many theories were discussed on the terraces.

As 2023 rolled around our performances grew and we looked more the like team from last year.

There were notable improvements from individuals, and these helped the collective to gains. The smiles were back on the team's faces and we continued to build momentum.

We seemed lucky to dodge lots of the cancelled fixtures which blighted the spring half term period, and this may have helped as we were playing well and looking good as we headed towards the end of the season. There was a short-lived cup run followed by a fabulous extended run to the final of The Plate.

This culminated in a fabulous performance in the final especially in the second half when our hard work and persistence paid off to see us run out as 7-2 winners and hold the silverware high above our heads to cheers from the assembled hordes. A great end to another enjoyable season.

Next season sees the Falcons progress to the U9 age group and a change in both pitch size and numbers on the field, along with a new formation to be learned. The challenges will keep coming but undoubtedly the Falcons will keep rising to them and will surely soar again in September.

Coach Steve and assistant Alex would like to thank all the players for your efforts this season you've all been awesome - you are, in no particular order:

Monty - Dynamite midfielder

Seb – Super attack snuffer-outer

Viraj - Midfield Colossus

Fdison - Flectric Defender

George - Playmaker extraordinaire

Fergus - Tenacious tackler and passer

Harrison - The Explosive Right Boot

Ralph - The Cultured Leftie

You are the Falcons, and we salute you!

Special mention for Rebecca for organising all the fixtures, opponents, referees and general admin that the team requires each week, stellar work and many thanks to you also.

And finally, a quick but important mention to the parents who have again been the best fans, taxi drivers, sweet providers and moral supporters you could ask for, you were brilliant. Thank you all.





# U9 KITES WES HARPER

In our second season together the Under 9 Kites moved up to playing 7 a side games which included increased game time and matches being played on the bigger pitches at Jubilee playing fields.

Highlights of the season included being joint winners in the Fleet Tournament and winning an exciting penalty shootout in our third-place play-off final. As well as a wonderful Mascot Day where the Kites walked onto the pitch with the Hartley Wintney first team.

At the end of last season, we had a squad of 8 which increased at the beginning of the season to 10 and then became 12 half way through the season.

### **SEASON STATISTICS**

Played 23 Won 16 Drew 0 Lost 7

Goals For: 85
Goals Against: 42
Goal Difference: +43

In our first season together 21-22, we won 20% of our games but in this season, we have improved dramatically and managed to win 70% of our games.

Unfortunately, due to the winter weather, we had 6 more games postponed this season than last. We did however finish on a high at the Fleet tournament where we played six games and remained unbeaten throughout finishing with a record of:

Played: 6 Won: 2 Drew: 4 Lost: 0

Goals For: 5 Goals Against: 2



### SOUAD

Most of the squad of 12 played in two positions in each game with several being versatile enough to play in all positions over the season.

Our midfielders and forwards all contributed plenty of goals throughout the season with Rees Harper (34) Wilfie Beauchamp (8) Thomas Steele (8) Thomas Norcross (9) Alfie Ashley (2) and Chase Hughes (8) leading our attacking play whilst our defenders: Frith Wheeler, Mason Blue Durban, August Catley Walker, Lewis Parton, Remy Richardson, won us many a game by limiting our opponents to scoring an average of only 1.5 goals a game across the whole season and tournament. This is incredible when compared to last year when we averaged 6 goals a game against us.

Another area of strength for us this season was our goalkeepers including Harley Hayes (15),
Thomas Norcross, Remy Richardson, Lewis Parton and
Chase Hughes who all helped us with many clean sheets to achieve a final goal difference of +46 across the campaign.

Thanks to all the parents for bringing the Kites to training and matches every week, my assistant Jon Beauchamp for his support and to our sponsors Harper Morgan.

Here's to an enjoyable Summer and a successful Under 10 Season.







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# U9 HAWKS JAMIE MACDONALD / JOEL SIBLEY

Another very successful season for the U9
Hawks who continue to build on the platform
they have created over the past seasons with
a focus on a never say die attitude and
real togetherness!

Like many teams we suffered with the elements and had a number of games postponed... but since after Christmas we really stepped up and finished very strongly in our league.

Some of the highlights of the season have been a fantastic 4-0 victory against a strong Camberley Town team, back-to-back wins against a Fleet Town team (5-0 and 4-0), but the standout performance was against Premier Cup Winners Mychett Athletic away with a stunning 2-1 victory. In every single game we fought hard, played with a smile on our face and certainly never gave up and kept going to the final whistle! The team genuinely play for each other and have a tenacity and desire to win that is beyond their years.

Over the course of the season, the players have rotated to support their development and getting them each to become comfortable and understand the different dynamics of the attacking/midfield/defensive thirds. We have spent the second half of the season trying to hone in on identifying their best position so they have started to learn around what the position entails both from an attacking and defensive viewpoint and its role in the team as a whole.

We had 2 new recruits this season, Matthew Carter and Thomas Wakeham, who were welcome additions and

both integrated immediately into the team. Matthew has become a huge asset at the back in a sweeper role and Thomas has been up and down the flanks causing havoc!

Thomas McHugh has been a rock at the back, playing across the back 3 as well as many stints in goal and match saving tackles. Riley Marchant has played across the pitch and has had an unbelievable season between the posts – some of the saves would make MOTD highlights! Max Kempson has interchanged between a back 3 role and a maurading midfielder adding goals to his game. Our other midfielders consisted of tireless running from Beau Sibley who was box to box and provided a number of assists to our frontline and Alex Revell who marshalled the centre and provided crisp passing. This linked well with the attacking flair of Orly Macdonald contributing with some priceless goals coupled with the silky skills of Liam el Ahwany who scored some key goals.

We had a very strong finish to the season, winning 4 of our last 5 games. Notable mentions go to Orly (19 goals) and Max (13 goals) as well as Beau (18 assists) across the whole season.

Well done to all the boys!

### **NEXT SEASON**

The Hawks have played some very attractive football and are growing confidently as a team week in week out, and Joel and I are immensely excited about next season.

### **THANK YOUS**

A massive thanks to all the parents for their ongoing support, assisting with the respect stewarding and chauffeuring their Hawks across Hampshire and parts of Surrey and Wiltshire for our games!

Special thanks to Joel for his continued support, positive attitude and commitment.

A final thanks to Paul Kempson, PK Absolute Carpentry & Joinery Ltd, for sponsoring the training gear and The Taj for sponsoring the playing kit.

Wishing everyone a happy summer season and looking forward to going again in September!

Thanks

Jamie & Joel

### **SEASONS STATISTICS**

Matches played : 22 Goals Scored : 52

Wins: 12 Goals Conceded: 36

Draws: 2

Lose: 8







# **U10 KITES**JON WIGGINS

# What a season Hartley Wintney Kites under 10s have had!

We had a little bit of a slow start at home, only winning 1 out of 6; but on the flip side, our away form was on fire, doing the complete opposite winning 6 and losing only 1!

Just before Christmas we hit some real form with our players giving us some really convincing wins, along the way winning the Chairman's Cup with a fantastic 3-1 win against Fleet Spurs Lightning. The season finished with us winning 1 more game than we lost but scoring a massive 58 goals and only conceding 42. Since the season has ended, we have also played in the Oakley 6 a side tournament, winning the plate for the second year in a row.

Our squad consists of Kai Wiggins, Theodore Smith, Naysim Jehanfo, Jack Jenkins, Murray Calder, Elsie Calder, Dylan Compton, Dylan Whybrow, Nathan Golabek, Zachary Kempson, Angelo O'Donnell and Inigo Barker.

Each and every one of these players has grown so much, I love being part of their footballing journey. We say goodbye to Murray and Elsie as they go on to new adventures which is a real loss for us, I have loved having you both in the team and wish you every success in the future!

I would also like to thank Mark Lewington for his excellent coaching this season, the Kites have become a real force this year with your awesome training.

We were sponsored by PK Absolute for our training tops this year so a huge thank you to Paul and Vicki Kempson. We move up to 9-a-side football next season and all of the new challenges this will bring, but I have absolutely no doubt that our squad will thrive and continue to grow and play the same fantastic football they have since they have been together.

My brother David is my assistant manager so another big thank you for all of his help and advice throughout the season. We are both really proud of the team and all of their efforts.

Bring on next season!

### **UP THE KITES!**









# U10 EAGLES TOM ROBERTSON

# First of all, a massive thank you to Sean Hegarty Patio Maintenance for sponsoring the team this year, I know the boys loved wearing the new kit!

This season the commitment and effort has been there throughout all our matches. Teamwork, friendship and hard work is what the Eagles are all about and that spirit stayed through the season and will stand them in good stead for the move up to 9-aside next season - which myself and Coach Chris are looking forward to!

My highlights are many, but to name a few:

All the boys scoring penalties in a Cup match to win 5-4! And the ensuing end of match bundle - epic!

A muddy and gutsy display for the team with only 7 players was one of my favourite games - all the boys battled so hard!

Will C's goals to earn victories early on in the season - hard work pays off, you've continued to build and develop and had a great season!

Will D again continues to increase his range of passing and dribbling skills, keep working hard and listening you are a real team player!

Archie had a great first season with the team a real attacking force. I loved your goal from a great set piece corner early on in the season; a real captain's goal!

Will M had a fantastic first season - growing in confidence every game, and so close to goal of the season with a dipping volley!

Elliot's season in goal and outfield shows how he is developing into an all-round player - you will be missed

by all your friends and you are welcome to visit anytime Elliot!

Shaun continues to test my heart with rainbow flicks on the edge of the area - keep enjoying your football, you are a great technical player with an eye for goal!

Ben continues to develop and shows great pace and positioning, to really drive the attack forwards - well done Ben!

Josh you continue to be a key part of this team battling hard and using your athletic ability for surging runs!

Special thanks to Harry's Bum for another great goal and maximum effort every time he plays - a real stand out performer.

Well done Ayaan for a MoM performance in the Cup with a great goal, and then captaining the side to a great 3-1 win the following week!

Then there is Lawrence who's tackling, passing and shooting has been an example to the rest of the team and we'd love to have you back next season!

Overall well done on a season where you all worked hard for you friends / teammates, listened to the coach, showed respect to the opposition, and most importantly had some fun with your mates!

Thanks to the parents for all your support!
We look forward to doing it again next season
- congratulations Eagles.

### **Coach Tom & Chris**





# U10 TIGERS ELLIOTT CHARLES / SARAH DUNTHORNE

# Our girls U10 Tigers have just completed their third season in the HGYFL and are continuing to develop really well.

We started the season well by making the final of the Winchester Flyers tournament. The girls lost the final 1-0 but put in a great performance.

Our league season has been very impressive with a record of Won 15, Drawn 2 and lost 3. This great run of form has led to the girls finishing top of Div 2 so they will be moving up to Div 1 next season. The girls also made it to the plate semi-final which after a hard-fought local derby against Chineham we lost 3-2.

It's great to see the continued growth of girl's football.

Our HGYFL league will be growing from 32 teams to 40+
next season. There are now twice the number of teams
than there were two years ago and I'm sure after the
women's world cup there will be even more interest.

Myself and Sarah would like to wish all the best to Florence Conway and Elsie Calder who have just played their last season with us.

Florence joined at the beginning of the season and has been a great addition to the team.

Elsie has been with us since the team was formed and has progressed to such a level that it's now time for her to move on to the next chapter in her football career. She has been such a talent to have in the team and has racked up 49 goals this season! One to watch for the future, I think.

Good luck Elsie and Florence, you will be missed.

We will be looking to add to our squad during the summer as we make the jump up to 9-a-side. It will be exciting to see a couple of new girls in the team.

A big thankyou to our sponsor Phoenix Pest Solutions for their support of the team over the last 2 years.

Also, a huge thanks to the parents for all their commitment in getting the girls to the games.

We are really looking forward to next season and we are really proud of what the girls have achieved this season.





Manager: Elliott Charles.

Assistant Manager: Sarah Dunthorne

### **SQUAD**

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# U11 KESTRELS OLLY SWEENEY / JIM HADNETT

The 2022/23 season has been a real roller coaster experience for the U11 Kestrels, but I think the parents will agree that each and every player has grown and developed as a footballer.

There were many adjustments to make at the start of the season, to which the team coped admirably. There were considerable changes to the squad as we merged three teams into two. We welcomed Ryan and Isaac to the team as we created our squad of fourteen players, and we moved to nine a-side football on the bigger pitch.

It's fair to say that all of these changes meant that it took time for the squad to bed-in and adjust to the new format. Having lost the first six games of the season, the boys showed great character and determination to continue battling and giving their all on the pitch.

After the divisions were readjusted and we moved to Delphian the boys grew in confidence and with that came some really entertaining games of football, with lots of goals and plenty of excitement. A particular favourite was a 6-5 win during which we had two penalties and scored directly from a corner.

After the Christmas break, we hit our stride winning eight of the last fourteen games of the season, playing with a combination of tough defending and great link-up play going forwards. The boys developed a strong team spirit and unity, of which we're very pleased and proud. It's been a real pleasure to see such effort on the pitch.

In the division 3 Conference Cup we won four of our five group games which set up a final against Beacon Hill

Atoms, a team we had beaten 1-0 earlier in the season. The boys gave their all in hot conditions, and we went into the break 1-0 up. Two very dubious decisions by the officials, at crucial points in the second half, did our cause no favours and we eventually lost 3-1 in what was a well fought game played in the right spirit. I think the boys would agree that it was a great experience, albeit not the result we were hoping for.

Special mention to those parents offering lino duties; it's a tough role, from personal experience. And also massive thanks to Fin and Lewy for Friday night training sessions; it was great to see so much from these sessions being implemented by the boys in the matches.

It would be hard to single out any one player as they've all contributed equally in their own way. There were some great team goals, individual goals, goal-saving tackles and fingertip saves.

Next season becomes a competitive season rather than Development. I am sure we will rise to the challenge!

# Olly & Jim

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# STATS

P 25 W 10 D 1 L 14

Biggest Wins: 7-2 and 5-0

### SOUAD

Belyan Aktas, Blake Constable, Alf Cook, Harry Field, Oliver Gibson-Hadnett, James Jaggard, Stanley Joy, Monty Long, Archie Platel, Albie Porter, Isaac Shaw, Ryan Stephens, Charlie Sweeney, Olly Webster-Garvey







# U11 HAWKS STEVE COSSU / TOM SHIPMAN

It's been a great season for the U11 Hawks. We began with 9 players and ended the season with 15! The boys have shown fantastic sportsmanship and improvement throughout the season, and I have no doubt this will continue going forward to U12's next season.

Going from 7-a-side to 9-a-side was initially challenging, with only three of the boys having played together before. We also had 5 new players, who had never played football for a club. The start of the season was up and down, but we were still finding our feet and the boys showed great spirit and determination.

As the season progressed, we were really beginning to play as a team, and we were controlling the matches. Goals started to come and so did the wins! Our goalies, Arthur and Riley F, were outstanding and without their brilliant saves we would have conceded many more goals. They also pitched in when we needed them in defence, along with Ishaan, Harrison and Bill, who were strong and powerful and did not give up, even when we were up against it. At the heart of our midfield was Cash, along with Des, Lincoln and Riley E, who were the engine room of the team. This quad made it tough for the opposition in every game. Out wide Zachary, Adam, Oscar D and Guilio really got up and down the flanks, providing some great crosses to the boys up top and delivering some fantastic goals along the way. The boys up top were Connor and Oscar S, who worked hard to receive the ball, each scoring some brilliant goals and making Oscar S our top goal scorer this season.

We ended the season with some great wins and a really great team who It's been a pleasure to coach and manage. Steve and I are very proud of all of you, and we will look forward to an even better season as U12's!

We'd like to extend a huge thank you to our sponsor, Wilson Plant, for their continued and generous support this season.

We also want to say a huge thanks to Paul and Matt for running the line in all weather, we're really grateful to you both, and to Sarah for managing who was on orange and snack duty each week! Finally to all the parents and supporters, who have shown such fantastic support and encouragement to our team every week, it means a lot to us and we look forward to seeing you all again next season.

### Steve & Tom



# **SQUAD**

Adam Ray Oscar Shipman Guilio Sharman Ishaan Ansar

Bill Harkin Oscar Daly
Cash Hughes Arthur Davis

Harrison Kenning Riley Eyre

Connor Mawer Riley Fouladi

Lincoln Porter Desmond Cossu

Zachary O'Donnell





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# U12 FALCONS LEE HULLS

We as coaches would like to start by saying it has been our absolute pleasure and privilege to manage the U12 Falcons. It has been a very enjoyable season from a coaches perspective to see each of the boys develop during the course of the season.

We sadly lost a few players from the previous season due to due various reasons, but we were extremely happy and grateful we had some amazing boys join the team.

What great assets they have been to the Falcons.

It was a very tough start to the season as we had only 1 training session before we went straight in to matches. But we knew we were going to be ok as the boys came off the field with their heads held high, as well as with a smile on their faces, and we were both extremely pleased to see that.

As the season progressed, the team played better but sometimes the score sadly did not reflect the performance of the boys. We started winning and this was very enjoyable for the players, and likewise for the parents I am sure.

The boys never gave up and tried their utmost best on every single matchday, and as coaches that's all we can ask.

It was so nice to see the terrific teamwork, positive sporting attitude and outstanding effort as well as perseverance throughout the season.

Overall it's been a wonderful season with the Falcons attitude of never giving up, never criticising fellow

players, not getting aggressive, nor verbally or physically abusing the opposition, and always finishing with a smile whatever the result was.

We would also like to thank the parents for being there for the boys and always positively encouraging every player week in week out. Thank you too for the half time refreshments, being the lino, and helping with setting up and removing the goals.

As we have now concluded this season, we want to bid farewell and goodbye to some players who are sadly leaving us; we wish you all the best and do not be a stranger, you are all welcome to come and watch in the future. Falcons forever.

Thank you all to the boys for a wonderful season with some amazing memories.

Onwards and upwards. We look forward to the new season where will be playing 11-a-side.

Best regards,

### Lee and Nave



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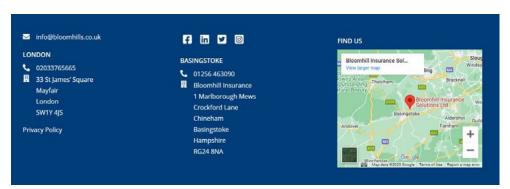


# U12 HAWKS MARK SUCHY / LEE GRIFFITHS



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This season was always going to be a transitional season, as we created a third team coming into 22/23 with Nick Elkington's Kestrels and a few of our boys moving across to them. We recruited several new players that hadn't played football in a team before.

Obviously, it takes time for new players to gel and for the less experienced lads to find their feet. I have said from day one at under 7's that for me to see steady progression for the individuals and for the collective team is almost the most important thing along with having fun, but despite our final league position this statement has never been more apt. Regardless of results this group have grown and gelled, with all of the 'newbies' receiving player of the match, and some of them on more than one occasion!

We suffered a heavy defeat early in the season to Petersfield only to play them again at home and were very unlucky to only get a draw. In our final game we played Hook in the cup and, despite them playing in the league above and sitting in mid table, we deservedly won comfortably which was fantastic for the boys especially as they had to go back to school with many of the oppo! This last result hopefully gives the boys the confidence and belief of what they are capable of going into 11-a-side in September.

I'd like to thank, as always, all of our amazing supportive parents who trust us to coach and manage their children to try and develop their footballing skills; but also how to interact and act in a respectful way with their teammates, and how to represent our fantastic club when wearing the shirt.

Finally, a huge thank you to my fellow coach Lee Griffiths who with his son Kian will be moving on to a new challenge for season 23/24. I can't thank him enough for all his support over the last few years, his military time-keeping is certainly the Ying to my Yang! Couldn't have done it without you mate so I wish Kian all the best moving forward with his football and all the best to you, whether you choose to carry on coaching or enjoy watching as a proud parent.

Looking forward to next season; bring on bigger pitches, more players to organise, and full size goals!



# U12 KESTRELS NICK ELKINGTON / HARRY WOOD

After playing in the JPL for three seasons Harry and I made the decision to go back into the NEHYL and play at the correct age group again, so the recruitment drive started last April and we continued through the summer until we had our squad. It was a mix of Hartley and Basingstoke boys, but the U12 Kestrels were formed.

Straight into Division 2 and a win for our first game and it seemed like we made the correct decision, although some of the teams in our division were clearly not up to our standard but then there were others who were way above the standard we played. It was a good test for the team and one I think we rose to well.

We had a dedicated goalkeeper in Laurie who impressed us from day one, his attitude between the sticks kept some of our score lines very respectable.

Zach led the team as captain and he excelled in his new role at centre back, with Freddie and Mason playing either side of him as left and right back, which gave us a decent defence.

We had an overload of players for midfield so Oliver and William often dropped back in defence when needed without any fuss but both seemed to prefer, and play better in, the CDM position. Milo, Archie and Kobi (our top goal scorer for the season) all played in the CAM role but again they moved around the pitch when required and adjusted to wherever they had to play.

Our wingers Bertie, Kai and Seth all had the speed up and down the wings scoring goals for fun but again, like all the others, would move to any position where they were needed to help the team out.

Finally, our striker Harry (second highest scorer) came into his own in the latter part of the season, scoring goals but also just as importantly he was creating goals for the others.

We had the dreaded "no heading rule" implemented on us this season, this was more of a hindrance as Sunday & school football allowed it and as did the cup games. The boys weren't sure how to defend long balls or corners but we seemed to get through the season without too much of an issue and we can now look forward to next season playing 11 a-side and being able to head the ball!

Thanks to Coach Sam, who was helping Harry with training this season as a "Playmaker", and also to Coach Finley who helped out when he could before moving across to help train the U13 Tigers!

A personal thanks from me to Coach Harry, giving up his Saturdays and now, in the summer, his Wednesday evenings as well: coaching the boys and coming along to the majority of the matches. Wishing you and Klara all the very best on your wedding day at the end of July!

### **STATS**

P 23 W 8 L 12 D 3 GF 59 GA 75

### **SQUAD**

Laurie Olney (Goal Keeper)

Zach Elkington (Captain)

Kobi Wiggins (Vice Captain)

Mason Hussey

Freddie Miller

Finley Gonzalez

William Matthews

Milo Montford

Archie Codd

Bertie Millett

Oliver Walsh-Taylor

Seth Martindale

Kai Williams

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# U13 TIGERS STEVE BARTLETT

# It's been a great season for the Under 13 Tigers, our first season playing 11v11 at our new home 'The LPC'.

It might sound obvious, but it's a big jump moving from 9v9 to 11v11!

There has been a lot to learn with this transition; bigger goals, a bigger pitch, bigger teams, a 20-yard breakaway becomes a 50-yard run, and you need your substitutions more than ever, but the girls have adapted well.

This was evident in our last game of the season, played on the memorial pitch in front of the clubhouse - not quit a sell out crowd, but it was great to see other teams joining our chairman along with other committee members and our parents in bringing the noise and supporting the girls. The result was perhaps not the fairy tale ending to our season we might have wished for, but what a cracking game!

This team of girls were the very first Girls team formed at HWJFC, and the very first to play on the Memorial Ground pitch! So a massive well done to our little history makers!

How could we not mention the fact that this season has to be one of the worst on record for the unavoidable frustration of weather-related last-minute fixture cancellations and postponements, and unfortunately this really impacted our ability to string together some consistent form.

If it wasn't the frost in December, it was the floods in January and February - but despite that I have to say

that, without exception, all teams we have faced have shown such great sportsmanship - a true reflection of the friendly nature of grassroots football in Division 4 of the Hampshire Girls Youth Football League.

Thank you to the training team, firstly IGF & Destination Sport.

We started the season with coach Sophie from IGF, but unfortunately for the Tigers due to the development in her girl's football initiative, (which saw her nominated at the national Women's Football Awards!) Sophie had to step away at the end of 2022.

I think it's Incredible to have had the short time that we did with her & again feel it shows the commitment from HWJFC towards girl's football.

But, as the saying goes, when one door closes another door opens and Coach Jason from Destination Sport was able to seamlessly step in bringing consistency through to the end of the season.

A massive thank you to our team sponsor, HartOutFit; Claire has continued to been so supportive all season, always asking after the team.

Thank you to Gayle Pugh for continuing with the task of team Admin, I really appreciate your help and support.

Thank you to Stuart Calder for stepping up to take on the assistant manager role, as a shift worker I cannot always make the games so having his support has been a massive help!

Thank you to our team of linespeople - Matt Daly, Adrian Hill, George Hazelwood & Sophie Miller who have shared this responsibility home & away all season.

Lastly I wanted to finish, as I did last year, by saying a massive thank you to the parents for their support throughout the season; for turning up each week, for travelling the long distances on Saturday mornings (sometimes in the rain and cold) so the girls can play - we couldn't do it without you.

# **SQUAD**

Heidi Bartlett, Lucy Bartlett, Evie Daly, Bea Hazlewood, Edith Hill Zara Lenthall, Tegan Mason, Brogan Pugh, Brooke Cossu, Isla Calder, Hollie Elborn, Sienna Smith, Kyela Graham, Xanthe Youldon, Daisy Miller, Lilly Goddard, Lilli Walliker









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# U13 HAWKS CHRIS GARWOOD

It's been a fantastic season for us.

The development of the team has been brilliant growing in all facets of the game.

This is down to the commitment the boys have shown in training and putting this into practice for matches. The team spirit has been amazing with everyone pulling together to support each other.

A particular highlight was our run in the Hampshire Cup this year. We took on and conquered 2 premier teams, through sheer determination, teamwork and a couple of moments of magic.

We are blessed with two great goalies. Quentin and Will have been rock solid in goal this season (plus stellar performances out of goal). Their leadership and confidence-inspiring performances have set the foundation for the team. Caspar has had an amazing season in central defence bringing pace, calm and fantastic skills (plus a few screaming goals). Theo, Ed and Ben have been brilliant on either side being so reliable in defence and creating loads of options going forward. In the midfield we've had Zac setting the standard for competition, Hector our playmaker, Tom weaving his magic on the right, Josh H with skills and competitive spirit, Toby with his pace, Hudson with his great right foot and Max with great ball skills and always competing. In attack we've Oscar who's become our linking player bringing the whole team together, Josh the assist king and Archie scorching away with his pace. What a team!

Congratulations to you all for everything you've achieved this year.

Finally, a massive thank you to Charlotte (Hooked on Hair) for sponsoring us, the supporters and parents for making it all possible and to Jason our amazing coach!

Looking forward to our U14 year!

### **Chris and Gary**



### **STATS**

Played 27 Won 17 Drawn 4 GF 103



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# U13 KESTRELS IAN PAYNE / MARK ELENOR

With fantastic encouragement from parents and tremendous support from previous managers Mark Elener and Paul Baldwin, it was an absolute pleasure to have the opportunity to lead the U13's Kestrels from January 2023.

The kids responded positively too. Straight away we began to build upon their football knowledge with emphasis on team structure, positioning, working in pairs, "taking a touch", and relaxing on the ball. With this focus we began to turn a negative run into strong performances and some wins.

We had a good-sized squad this season with 17 players all completing for positions. Listening to the direction from our parents the team choose to play inclusively with a core strength mainly down the middle and rotation of players throughout the games to ensure all were included in game play.

For some players it was their first football season having never played before. Charbel joined us in defence, David in midfield, and George up front; their passion and desire to get involved was ferocious, their improvement was exponential.

In addition to our first-time footballers, the squad was enhanced with new arrivals from the Falcons: goalkeeper Freddie and defenders Charlie and Theo; all worked hard, improved, and brought strength of the side.

Core to the team were its standing players.

Providing consistency, strength and depth in
every game were Emma, Tom P, Zackary, Alec, Ollie, Max,

Ethan, Austin, Tom E, Elliott, and Khobi. Each performed with passion and excellence.

Next season we will reset once more increasing the management team and replacing some players who are moving on. Myself, Paul Baldwin, Cath Turrell, and Pete Shaw will manage the side no doubt under the watchful guidance and mentoring of Mark Elener who we thank dearly for his long service in supporting our children.

### **SOUAD**



Tom Elener, Max Shaw, Tom Payne, Charlie Downs, Khobi Smith, Emma Turrell, Elliott Clappison, George Johnstone, Ethan Reardon, Zachary Baldwin, David Merk, Charbel Spurgeon, Ollie Grierson, Theo Thomas, Freddie Jourdan-Brown, Austin Steer, Alec Hay.

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# U14 FALCONS JASON ALLEN

After starting the season in September with a hard-fought draw against a good Curley Park team we went on a run of seven straight wins in the league and cup. The boys racked up some big victories including a 13 - 0, a 9 - 0 and a 7 - 2.

Our cup run came to an end at the beginning of December when we lost 2 - 0 to Cove who went on to finish top of Division 2. Unfortunately, that was our last game of the year as the bad weather meant that the rest of our matches in December were called off.

When we started again in the new year we suffered our first defeat, losing 2 – 1 to Curley Park, but bounced back with another run of victories. There were no big scores like earlier in the season but the boys showed real character to recover from a goal down on a couple of occasions and to come out on top in some close games.

Our cup runs and the games cancelled in December meant that we were running out of time to complete all of our matches before the end of the season. We ended up having to play a couple of double headers but the shorter games didn't seem to suit us and we drew all four of those matches. Those draws and a 4-3 loss to Frimley, who eventually went on to win the division, ended our chance of topping the table for the second season in a row.

We finished the season in joint second place with a record of 13 wins, 5 draws and 2 losses. After our excellent start we were disappointed not to win the division but second place counts as another successful season. The boys played some impressive football, there were great goals, solid defending all season and some excellent all round team play.

We want to say a big thank you to Destination Sport again this year for the excellent training they've provided. And last, but definitely not least, thank you to all the parents for your help and support and for making it such a pleasure to be part of this team.



# **SQUAD**

Theo Allen, Marcus Cross, Thomas Jeffries, Billy Bridges, Danny Bagnato, Charlie Home, Sam Summers, Jamie Hulls, George Ware, Sam Graham, Harry Phillips, Leighton Hedgecock, Edward Carey, Tobey Oldham, Zach Lowe, George Hickman, James Ewbank, Patrick Maxlow-Tomlinson.

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# U15 FALCONS DAN JONES / STE DOOLEY

# Challenges come into our lives to help us get from one place to a better one.

Following a brutally tough U14 season, our confidence had never been more challenged, and at the outset of our U15 adventure we asked our superstars to believe in themselves and their teammates.

Their ability has never been in question, and with a change of formation, playing style, work done during pre-season and encouragement from the side-lines, a fragile hope dared to show itself.

That first match included a debut for our new signing, whose impact throughout the season has inspired his peers and, without doubt, fed that confidence. In addition, a hat-trick from another player (his first of 9 this season) set us on our way. But most importantly, exhausted in that first match, and with a quarter of the game still to play, the squad dug deep, hung on and got each other to the final whistle and 3pts as a team.

That was our turning point.

Six league wins, 32 goals and two clean sheets followed, and our Falcons were flying high. Setbacks almost inevitably followed, but that forward momentum drove hope and increased performance levels, taking us throughout the season and to the brink of league promotion. We continued to grow and improve as individuals but also as a group.

Whilst each of our boys is one in a million, sometimes we forget that on the pitch they're one in 11, and it is only as a team that we will progress.

Our Falcons flew, winning their cup fixtures and securing a place in the Cup Final at the home of the Row and a memorable match and a great experience on the hallowed HWFC first team pitch.

As a team we believed, and I would encourage anybody who doubts themselves to think again because when you look around your team, you are going to see a teammate who will go with you. You're going to see a player who will sacrifice himself for your team because he knows, that when it comes down to it, you're going to do the same for him.

That's a team, and Ste and I are so proud of every one of them.

Games Played - 24

Won - 16

Draw - 3

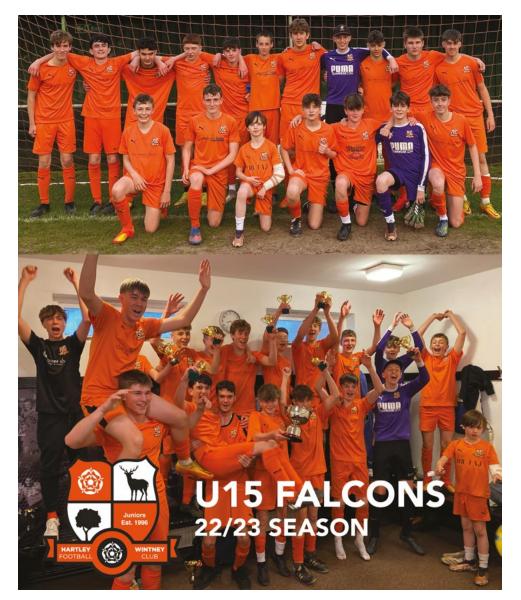
Scored - 97

Clean sheets - 7

Oh, and we also won the U15 League Bowl Cup Final. COYF!

# **SQUAD**

Zach Griffin, Archie Montgomerie, Adam Phillips, Jacob Clark, Harrison Allen, Fin MacDonald, George Blest (C), Alex Dooley, Alex Quayle, Albert Boylan, Josh Daniels, Eric Rowe, Aren Davis, Phoenix Jones, Harry Judson, Bailey Jenkins, Jake Dutton, Will Garwood, JP Daniell, Jayden Davi





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Having lost a couple of players during the pre-season period we collectively made the difficult decision to move from the Premier League to Division One. Having finished 5th in the higher league it felt defeatist to drop down, but it was the correct decision.

Division One proved to be a very tough and competitive league with only one team cut adrift at the end of the season. Only ten points separated 8th from 1st and while the opening part of the season delivered disappointing results, the Eagles rallied late on and won four of the last five matches to avoid what looked like certain relegation in March.

The Eagles are a group of very loyal players and this season we saw a determined togetherness after Christmas. Their discipline and team spirit turned the season around and we are all very proud of the effort they put in. It's been a tough season but the players showed their character from past seasons and there are plenty of positives to take in to our final season.

The team continue to listen well and are now able to deal with the growing physical and mental challenges of the game as the age groups become higher. Learning how to deal with an ever-growing physical and verbal threat is a skill that the Eagles have developed well this season, and this will help greatly when they all make the future leap in to adult football.

Sadly we say farewell to Noah and Thomas Knapman and we wish them all the best in their adult football and rugby moves.

### **Paul Turrell**



# U16 FALCONS ANDY EWBANK

In this 10th season for the Falcons we capitalised on last year's League Bowl win and promotion, and crowned off our year with a dramatic League Plate final, beating Haslemere in a penalty shootout.

We returned to Division 4 of the NEHYL, finishing mid-table. We played 24 games in the season (18 league and 6 across the various cups), winning 11, losing 10 and 3 draws.

We welcomed new recruits John Wilkie, Otto Herbert, and Jacob Fixter.

Our home pitch moved from Bramshill College to RAF Odiham, which had the perks of guaranteed football on the all-weather surface, as well as playing matches where the boys train. Despite balls going over the fence into the RAF base (expensive), this was a good venue for us. On occasion (half term and exeat weekends), we were permitted to use the fantastic grass pitches at Lord Wandsworth for matches as well.

We enjoyed a new kit this season and, rather creatively, the boys had fundraised for this themselves; raising the first £1k for the kit, and then matching it with a further £1k for the charity Mind, proudly wearing the logo and raising awareness of mental health. Fundraising events included the Hook fun run, car washing and hosting a creative arts event.

Other than the plate final, two matches were standout fixtures – the 7-6 penalty shootout win away at Loxwood & Kirdford in the pouring rain (after 3-3 in normal time), and coming back from 4-0

down to equalise with the last kick of the game at home to Petersfield. Of special note, the team got to play their last league fixture on the Hartley first team pitch which provided a great experience for all – thank you to Luke Mullen for permitting this.

Several members of the team pursued with their refereeing. In addition, several others became Playmakers, working alongside the licensed coaches, each appending themselves to one of the younger teams in the club. This is a lovely step within their own development, and it is great to see them investing back into the club.

A big thank you to Jason Williams at Destination Sport for his coaching, to our faithful supporters and to the boys. I now bow out as manager and hand over the reins to Jon and Lucinda to lead the boys into youth football.

### **Andrew Ewbank**



P 24 W 11 L 10 D 3 GF 57 GA 56

Leading scorers: Louie 16, Lewis 10, Will E 9, Addison 5, Tom Butler, Kai, Luke 3, Alex Hailey, Theo, Alex Fawcett 2, Michael, Tom Bishop 1.

### SOUAD

Andrew Ewbank (Manager), Ethan Lawrence,
Tom Butler, Lewis Stokes, Alexandro Fernandez-Goldstein,
Theo Coll Parry, Kai Murphy, Addison Stickland, Jude Pitcher,
Michael Francis, William Ewbank, Luke Stevens, Tom Bishop,
Alex Fawcett, Louie Gibson, John Wilkie, William LovelockMoore, Alex Hailey, Otto Herbert, Jacob Fixter.







# U16 HAWKS MARK LEWINGTON

This season saw the U16 Hawks return to the top flight of the NEHYL league. The new players that joined were welcomed and integrated very well. It was vital that the lads believed in the team ethic to be able to compete in a very tough league and, to their credit, they were able to compete week in week out.

The lads finished an extremely tough season mid table, this was achieved by sticking together and encouraging each other. The lads played very good football and ended the season by giving the U18 Youth team a run for their money, proving that they can compete physically and mentally against older players.

It has been my absolute pleasure to work with such a great bunch of lads who not only gave it all on match days but worked very hard in training, all whilst also revising for their GCSE's.

Some of the lads completed the FA Playmakers course, and used the skills learnt to train younger age groups, and some of them have now also secured jobs coaching outside of the club as well.

Once again, a massive thank you to Albion Motors (Terry & Claire) for their sponsorship and investing in the team. A special thank you to Paul Macken and Martin Lowde for picking up the flag and running the line in all weathers. Also a big thank you to all the parents and

players for their continued support both on and off the pitch, it makes my job a lot easier!

Enjoy the break, good luck with the exams!

# Mark 'Pep' Lewington

### **SQUAD**

Toby Lloyd, Toby Lewington (C), Alfie Lear, Josh Brownhill, Joe Smith, Louis Lowde, Jacob Punter, Toby Sentch, Dan Parker, Bruno Correia, Ned Clynes, Sam Sweeney, TJ Sherwood, Louis Norcutt, Isaac Macken, Dylan Jones

Coach: Mark Lewington



### STATS

W 8 D 2 L 11 GF 47 GA 48





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# YOUTH TEAM PHIL SOLEIL / PETE AUCHTERLONIE / IAN HOBMAN

So, after some 22 years of combined coaching and managing, our (Phil and Pete's) tenure as HWJFC Managers comes to an end. It's been a lot of fun, in the most part.

As the old saying goes, "If people throw stones at you, then pick them up and build something". That pretty much sums up what we've had to do in our final season.

This last season has been riddled with issues and was not the way we wanted it to end, or envisaged ending, our time at the Club. But it's not about us, it's about the boys; and the powers that be in Junior Football perhaps should remind themselves of that. Maybe one day they will.

At the end of season 2021-22 we found ourselves with a squad of 9, following 6 departures, heading into the second year of Youth football. Thankfully we were able to pull a squad together with some new recruits, some lads who had been cast aside by the upcoming U17s team which chose to fold, plus we welcomed back to HWJFC some ex-players who had previously stopped playing due to "footballing differences" with their previous manager. It was a mixture of talent, experience and age; but having finished 5th in Div 2 the previous season we were confident of being able to perform competitively at the same level this season.

That, unfortunately, was where our problems started. Despite protests and requests to be moved to the appropriate level, we were placed in division one with a number of clearly superior teams (based on the previous seasons' performances).

Nevertheless, the boys kicked off the season with gusto and vigour, but succumbed to 3 thumping's in our first 4 outings; conceding 27 goals and scoring just 2. Our appeals to the League eventually gained traction, and we were rightly moved down to division two; albeit only when a team folded in that division.

However, the season from there was still to be a slog with a lot of the squad disheartened by the start we had endured. Many of the early matches in Div 2 were closely fought affairs, but we never seemed to get the rub of the green – positive results were few and far between. It took us too long to gel as a team and get up and running and defeat followed defeat, the only win before Xmas coming in the League Cup against a beleaguered Farnham side (who subsequently folded). With very few highlights and issue after issue (on and off the pitch) it was proving to be quite the season; and one in which we (Pete, Phil and lan) struggled to keep the boys together and motivated.

Time and time again the team, boys, felt the brunt of what could only be described as unfair treatment and prejudice by the powers that be. But we persevered and as Kanye once sung "N-now th-that that don't kill me, can only make me stronger". And, eventually, stronger we became. We picked up the stones, dusted ourselves down, and started to rebuild. The turning point perhaps being the culmination of a 5-month campaign, including 3 appeals with the FA and Hants FA, against what proved to be unproven claims of ill-discipline made by a NEHYL referee against Jake in a game against Farnham. Jake was allowed to return to action in March after missing 8 games\*, and the positivity that flowed through the team following our successful appeal against said false

allegation was evident.

The boy's growing fortitude and camaraderie was evident; a togetherness; a "F\*\*k you" attitude to those who tried (from the off), and continued throughout, to derail our final season; a determination to enjoy our last couple of months as a team. It was arguably the best team spirit we'd seen in our combined 22 years.

\* Should have been 2 games missed. We're still awaiting an apology.

After yet more slander (this time against our Respect Steward, of all people, and us coaches) following our penultimate game of the season at Cove FC, the boys played what was to be their final game in orange (well in blue in reality!) in an inter-club game against our U16 Hawks on the first team pitch. And what a final game it proved to be with both sides performing exceptionally well: the game tied at 1-1 at the end and the Youth team "winning" after a penalty shootout. The sun shone brightly that day which proved to be a fitting finale to the season and the playing careers in youth football for many of the boys. Thank you to Lewy, Toni and the U16s for their part in what was a superb end to the season.

To all the boys, for this season and those previous; to all the parents, from this season and over the last 12 years; to the various coaches who have looked after the boys (big thanks to Jason for this past season, top lad); to all the good folk in HWJFC and HWFC who

have supported us, thank you – thank you to you all. It's been brilliant. We hold our heads up high as we retire from youth football and wish all the boys every success in their future footballing, academic and working endeavours.

Finally, a special mention to 3 lads who started playing for HWJFC at U7 and have completed every season since, racking up approximately 650 Junior Club appearances between them. Toby Head, Lewis Flower and Calum Soleil, you should be very proud of yourselves, as we are of you.

The (final) squad: Finley Auchterlonie, Calum Soleil, Jake Hobman, Harry Saunders, James Harold, Jonah Bharat (C), Archie Dowie, Lewis Flower, Toby Head, Noah Davis, Leon Sackley, Danny Marks, Alfie Stimpson, Sam Bartlett, Emin Coskun, Ronnie Ebury, Dean Kamanga, Evan Lenthall and Charlie Ivey. A big mention also goes out to some of Lewy's' U16s who turned out for us latterly to make sure we could field a team and complete our season: Josh, Sam, Toby S, Toby L and Jacob.

Nice one fellas, and all the best as you head into your Youth season.

Thanks everyone.

Phil, Pete and Ian.





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